

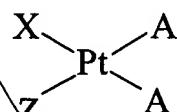
I. AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

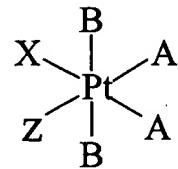
Please replace claim 1 with the following replacement claim 1:

1. A *cis*-platinum complex of the formula Ia or Ib

S w b
B 1



Ia



Ib

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof

wherein:

each A is independently an anion;

each B is independently halo, hydroxy, carboxylate, carbamate or a carbonate ester;

Z is a substituted 5- or 6-membered, heterocyclic moiety, wherein the substituted heterocyclic moiety further comprises a substituent that sterically hinders access of the Pt atom to a DNA strand of a tumor cell by a measurable amount more than an unsubstituted heterocyclic moiety with the same structure when tested under the same conditions, and wherein Z is other than pyridine; and

X is NH₃ or mono- or dialkyl substituted NH₃.